



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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All Department/District Heads

At its meeting held November 29, 2005, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Yaroslavsky made the following statement:

“On December 8, 2005, the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness will launch the first National Project Homeless Connect Day. This National event will unite government, community volunteers, nonprofit agencies, businesses, and faith-based organizations to create a single point of engagement with services and housing for homeless individuals and families. Project Homeless Connect Day is a unique opportunity for homeless citizens to access services in a supportive community setting.

“People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) is organizing the only Project Homeless Connect Day event in Los Angeles County and are calling it Project Yes! In My Backyard (Y!MBY) Connect Day. Hollygrove Children and Family Services is donating the use of its facility in Hollywood for the event. The County’s Health and Human Services departments are participating in Project Y!MBY Connect Day as well as local nonprofit agencies, the City of Los Angeles, the Social Security Administration and the Office of Veteran’s Affairs.

“Project Y!MBY Connect Day is expecting to serve 300 homeless individuals. Each participant will receive a comprehensive needs assessment and then will be escorted by a volunteer to a variety of agencies that can provide screening for eligibility and connection with services. All participants also will go through a discharge process prior to leaving the site to ensure that they have been served properly and to confirm service eligibility, appointments, and referrals.

“Project Y!MBY Connect Day will rely heavily on volunteers to serve as intake workers, escorts, food servers, and discharge workers.”

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Joel Roberts, Chief Executive Officer, People Assisting the Homeless (PATH), Yvonne Michelle Autry and Warren Williams addressed the Board.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Molina being absent), the Board took the following actions:

1. Proclaimed December 8, 2005 as "Project Homeless Connect Day" throughout Los Angeles County;
2. Directed County departments including Public Social Services, Health Services, Mental Health and Children and Family Services, to participate in the Project Homeless Connect Day event "Project Y!MBY" (Yes! In My Backyard) to be held on December 8, 2005 at Hollygrove Children and Family Services' facility in Hollywood, and to work with the Chief Administrative Office's Service Integration Branch to ensure effective County coordination;
3. Requested all Department/District Heads to encourage their staff to volunteer on the day of the event and accommodate reasonable requests for personal leave by the County staff that choose to volunteer; and
4. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to coordinate with County departments regarding deployment of County staff who work in both an official and voluntary capacity at the event.

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